

I. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 5, immediately preceding the Detailed Description of the Invention, please insert:

Figure 11 shows three different combinations of PNA detection probes tested for their ability to bind their corresponding DNA oligos and for cross-hybridization to a related DNA oligo containing different single base substitutions with respect to the target DNA oligos. Hybridization was assayed either with or without increasing amounts of a competitor PNA complementary to the control oligo, but one nucleobase shorter than the detection probes.